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PROGRAMME AND RELATED QUESTIONS

A. PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1992-1993

B. CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES

Report of the Third (Programme and Coordination) Committee

1. The Third (Programme and Coordination) Committee considered programme and related questions (agenda item 14) at its 6th, 7th and 18th meetings, on 15, 16 and 24 July 1991. It had before it the following documents:

(a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 (A/46/6, sections 11 to 30); 1/

(b) Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on the work of its thirty-first session (A/46/16 and Add.1); 2/

1/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No.6 (A/46/6/Rev.1).

2/ For the final text, see Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-sixth Session, Supplement No.16.

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(c) Letter dated 17 June 1991 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences to the President of the Economic and Social Council (E/1991/108);

(d) Note by the Secretariat on the Sixth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names (E/1991/118);

(e) Provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993 in the economic, social and related fields (E/1991/L.25 and Corr.1 and Corr.1/Rev.1).

2. At the 6th and 7th meetings, the Committee held a general discussion on the item.

3. At the 6th meeting, on 15 July, introductory statements were made by the Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, the Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Finance, and the representative of the Office for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services.

4. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Austria, the Netherlands (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Community), the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the observer for Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries).

5. At the 7th meeting, on 16 July, statements were made by the representatives of Austria, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, France, Cameroon, Brazil, the Bahamas, Mexico, the United States of America and the observer for Uganda.

Calendar of conferences

6. The Committee considered the calendar of conferences (agenda item 14 (b)) at its 18th meeting, on 24 July 1991.

7. At the 18th meeting, the Committee was informed of a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Council by the representative of the Republic of Cyprus to the second regular session of the Economic and Social Council regarding the venue of the Sixth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

Calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993

8. At the 18th meeting, on 24 July, on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council that it approve the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993 (see para. 13 below, draft decision I).

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Summary records of sessional committees and subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council

9. At the 18th meeting, on 24 July, the Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

10. At the same meeting, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Finland, France, Algeria and the observer for Uganda.

11. Also at the same meeting, the Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

12. At the 18th meeting, on 24 July, following a statement by the representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the Council that (a) it discontinue for a further period of one year, from 1992, summary records for its sessional committees and certain subsidiary bodies and (b) it review the question of summary records of all its subsidiary bodies at its regular session of 1992 (see para. 13 below, draft decision II).

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE THIRD (PROGRAMME AND COORDINATION) COMMITTEE

13. The Third (Programme and Coordination) Committee recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decisions:

DRAFT DECISION I

Calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993

The Economic and Social Council approves the calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992 and 1993.

DRAFT DECISION II

Summary records of sessional committees and subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolutions 1979/69 of 2 August 1979 and 1981/83 of 24 July 1981 and its decisions 1983/184 of 29 July 1983, 1985/200 of 26 July 1985, 1987/179 of 8 July 1987 and 1989/174 of 26 July 1989, (a) decides to discontinue for a further period of one year, from 1992, summary records for its sessional committees and for the following subsidiary bodies:

Commission for Social Development;
Commission on the Status of Women;
Commission on Narcotic Drugs;
Economic Commission for Europe;
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific;
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean;

Economic Commission for Africa;
Committee on non-Governmental Organizations;
Committee on Natural Resources;
Committee for Programme and Coordination;
Committee on Transnational Corporations;

and (b) decides to review the question of summary records of all its subsidiary bodies at its regular session of 1992.